

**Listing of Claims:**

34. (New) The end plate assembly according to claim 21, further comprising:  
at least one brush retainer integrally formed on said plate portion, said plate portion having a motor side and a fan side.
35. (New) The end plate assembly according to claim 34, wherein said commutator receiver bulges axially outwardly from said fan side.
36. (New) The end plate assembly according to claim 34, wherein said brush retainer comprises:  
a first wall member extending axially from said motor side of said plate portion;  
a second wall member extending from said first wall member generally at a right angle; and  
a third wall member extending axially from said second wall member toward said plate portion, said third wall member and said plate portion forming a gap therebetween.